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FERMENTATION OF SULPHUR-
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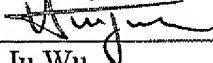
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2. The Foreign Application should read "102 39 308.7" in lieu of "102-39-308.7."

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Title

Method for the production by fermentation of sulphur-containing fine chemicals (metf)

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